

## Hampton Police Division Media Release

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**For Immediate Release** 

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**Business Robbery Investigation: 3300 Block of West Mercury Boulevard** 

The Hampton Police Division is seeking the public's assistance in identifying the suspect in connection with a business robbery that occurred on December 4, 2015.

At 7:24 p.m., Hampton Police responded to the CheckSmart located in the 3300 block of West Mercury Boulevard in reference to a robbery from business complaint. The investigation revealed that the suspect approached a female employee of the business in the parking lot as she was leaving the business and ordered her back into the business. The suspect forced the employee to re-enter the business where a second employee was located, displayed a firearm, and demanded money. After receiving an undisclosed amount of US currency, the suspect fled the scene on foot and was last observed fleeing east bound on West Mercury Boulevard.

The suspect is described as a black male, between the ages of 30-35 years old, 5'8"-5'10", thin build, approximately 170-180 pounds, last seen wearing a wearing a two-tone gray hooded sweatshirt, light colored blue jeans, white tennis shoes, a black scarf covering half of his face, black gloves.





Photos obtained from surveillance footage.

Anyone with information that will assist police is encouraged to contact the Hampton Police Division at **727-6111** or the Crime Line at **1-888-LOCK-U-UP**. Tipsters can also send an anonymous tip via text message to the Crime Line by texting "HAMPTONPDTIPS plus your tip" to **274637 (CRIMES)**. Crime Line callers remain anonymous and never appear in court. If a Crime Line call results in an arrest, the caller is eligible for a reward up to \$1,000.00.

Sgt. M. J. Bond will receive questions about this release at 757-727-6638.